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FROM AF/C

E.O. 11652:GDS

TAGS: PFOR, GB, US

SUBJECT: BONGO VISIT TO U.S.

REF: A) STATE 41170; B) STATE 4414; C) LIBREVILLE 0583;
D) STATE 53109

1. REGARDING BONGO MEETING WITH PRESIDENT, WE ARE IN
PROCESS OF TRYING TO CLEAR CABLE SUMMARY AND WILL GET IT
TO YOU AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE.

2. SUBJECT OF FMS FINANCING DID NOT RPT NOT COME UP IN
CONVERSATIONS WITH THE PRESIDENT, ASSISTANT SECRETARY
SCHAUFLE OR AF/C DIRECTOR BUCHANAN. RE FY 1977 FUNDS, CON-
TENTS OF REF (D), PREPARED SUBSEQUENT TO BONGO'S DEPARTURE,
MAY NOW BE PASSED TO GOG. RE FY 1978 FUNDS, EMBASSY MAY
INFORM GOG OF CURRENT STATUS IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFTELS (A)
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AND (B). FUNDS WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE, OF COURSE, UNTIL
CONGRESS HAS APPROVED THEM.

3. SUBJECT OF SECURITY ASSISTANCE IN CONNECTION WITH OAU
SUMMIT DID RPT DID ARISE DURING COURSE OF VISIT. A CABLE
ADDRESSING THIS SUBJECT IS NOW CIRCULATING IN DRAFT AND
SHOULD REACH YOU IN VERY NEAR FUTURE.

4. REGARDING POSSIBLE EXIMBANK FINANCING FOR BOEING AIR-CRAFT, EXIMBANK IS WAITING FOR SUPPLEMENTAL DATA FROM CITIBANK ON GOG DEBT SITUATION. UNDERSTAND THAT PROSPECTS FOR FAVORABLE REPLY HAVE IMPROVED SOMEWHAT AS RESULT OF CITIBANK'S WILLINGNESS TO BEAR BRUNT (55 PERCENT) OF LOAN, THEREBY REDUCING PERCENTAGE THAT EXIMBANK WOULD HAVE TO COVER. EXIMBANK REPORTEDLY PREPARED TO MAKE DECISION WITHIN WEEK OR TWO AFTER RECEIVING SUPPLEMENTARY DATA FROM CITIBANK. FYI - FINANCING FOR BOEING PURCHASE WAS ONLY SPECIFIC BILATERAL MATTER RAISED BY BONGO IN HIS HIGH-LEVEL MEETINGS (SEPTTEL). OUR REPLY WAS ESSENTIALLY NON-COMMITTAL, BUT BONGO APPARENTLY CAME AWAY ENCOURAGED.
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